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As best understood, cited reference DE 3 400 941 A1 discloses a multi-layer U-shaped fiber element. No English language equivalent or Abstract has been located for this reference.

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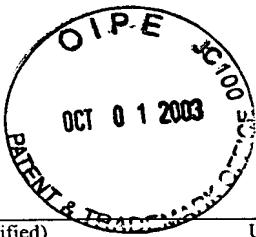
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